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**Verifying the Presence of an Original  
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subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention  
entitled "Verifying the Presence of an Original Data Storage Medium," the  
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